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Group 3654

PATENT
Docket No. 56401US002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Mark D. SWANSON et al.)
Serial No.: 09/818,240)
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For: ROLL GOODS DISPENSER SYSTEM AND METHODS OF USE)

Group Art Unit: 3654
Examiner: John Quoc Nguyen

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 - EXPEDITED EXAMINING PROCEDURE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed 19 November 2002, consider the following remarks:

Remarks

The Office Action mailed 19 November 2002 has been received and reviewed. The pending claims are claims 1-32. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested.

The 35 U.S.C. § 112, First Paragraph, Rejection

Claims 1-32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the relevant art to make and/or use the invention. Specifically, the Office Action alleges that it is not clear how the side shields are movable between the closed and open configurations.